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About a quarter of a million Angelenos under the age of 65 are living with a physical disability. That is why I conducted an audit of the Department of Disability which calls for a more systematic, citywide approach to enhance the Department's effectiveness and improve the City's compliance with disability laws.

The City must work toward greater accessibility and inclusion -- and must also learn important lessons from liabilities it has incurred, so that hard-earned taxpayer dollars are spent more wisely.

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On Saturday, groups across the world celebrated International Open Data Day by hosting local events that showcase the benefits and impact of open data usage in their communities. To commemorate the occasion, Los Angeles recognized Open Data Day Los Angeles at City Hall.

With Councilmember Monica Rodriguez, we recognized the group Data + Donuts <https://lacontroller.us17.list-manage.com/track/click?u=0689bc999e6529efb2132dd1e&id=2264d6b75e&e=d6704bb280> and the Southern California Association of Governments for encouraging the use of data within government.

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If you are looking to delve into the latest topics in technology and meet leaders in the open data space, I encourage you to attend this month's Data + Donuts panel and networking breakfast. The panel will include LADOT's transportation planner Karina Macias and Los Angeles Deputy Chief Innovation Officer and Senior Technology Advisor to the Mayor Jeanne Holm.

Data + Donuts: Morning Speaker Series

Tuesday, March 13, 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

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I recently released the revenue forecast for fiscal years 2017-18 and 2018-19, which highlights continued positive growth in key revenue sources -- but even greater anticipated growth in expenditures.

The current revenue forecast found:

- * General Fund receipts for the current year are estimated to be \$5.8 billion, a 2.9% increase from 2016-17 revenue. For 2018-19, General Fund receipts are projected to be \$6 billion, \$170 million more than the 2017-18 estimate;
- * Projected revenue growth of 2.9% is less than the 4.8% expenditure growth the City averaged over the last five years - and more than the 4% growth in expenses expected in the coming fiscal year;
- * The City is projected to generate at least \$20 million from Cannabis-related licensing fees and business taxes;
- * Special fund receipts continue to grow faster than General Fund receipts.

Read the forecast here <https://lacontroller.us17.list-manage.com/track/click?u=0689bc999e6529efb2132dd1e&id=af85766815&e=d6704bb280>

U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum's
25th Anniversary

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I am the son of a Holocaust survivor. I'm here today because, with so many Holocaust survivors no longer with us, as we soon will come to the place with no survivors living, it's up to me, it's up to us to tell the stories.

A very important component of that retelling is the U.S. Holocaust Museum, which last week celebrated its 25th anniversary. It was a bittersweet commemoration of an institution set up to confront hatred and promote human dignity. Zach and I attended the awards dinner and gala, where they presented the National Leadership Award to philanthropists Vera and Paul Guerin for their outstanding contributions to health, wellness and our community.

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